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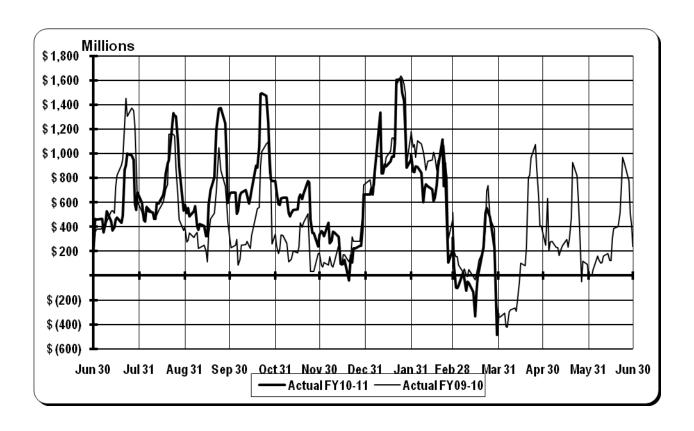
CONTROLLER'S OFFICE RELEASES MARCH MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

RALEIGH – The Office of State Controller today announced that year to date, through March 2011, North Carolina's General Fund experienced an increase in actual net tax and non-tax revenues of \$139 million, or 1.1 percent. Tax revenues through March increased by \$203 million, or 1.6 percent, and non-tax revenues decreased by \$64 million, or 9.21 percent as compared to the prior year. Corporate Income Tax and Franchise Tax Revenue for fiscal year 2011, when compared to the prior year, showed a decrease of 29.7 percent and 22.7 percent respectively due to the prior year collection efforts of the North Carolina Department of Revenue. Because of lower rates of return on investment, the General Fund's Treasurer investment earnings declined by \$14.4 million or 44.6 percent as of the year ending March 2011 compared to the previous year.

The General Fund's unreserved fund balance as of March 2011, was a negative \$314.2 million as compared to a negative \$249.4 million as of March 2010.

This information is contained in the most recent monthly report on the General Fund compiled by the Office of the State Controller. This report can be found at http://www.osc.nc.gov. Go to "Recent Publications" and click on "General Fund Monthly Financial Report -- March." The OSC website includes General Fund monthly budgetary basis financial information back through June 1998.

The graph on the next page shows the daily fluctuation of unreserved fund balance for the current and prior fiscal years.



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